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AGREEMENT

Between

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD *Township*

UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

and

(PATROLMEN AND DETECTIVES BARGAINING UNIT)

POLICEMEN'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION - *PBA* Local No. 52

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DESIGNATION OF PARTIES

This Agreement is entered into this day of

by and between the Township of Cranford, County of Union, New Jersey, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey hereinafter designated "Township",

and

the Policemen's Benevolent Association, Local No. 52 Patrolmen and Patrolmen Detectives Bargaining Unit, Cranford, New Jersey, hereinafter designated as "P.B.A." or "Union".

ARTICLE I

PREAMBLE

SECTION 1. - Purpose of Agreement

The Township and Union agree that it is the general purpose of this Agreement to promote the mutual interests of the Township and its Employees, to maintain the existing harmonious relationship between Township and its Employees in the Department of Police, to provide for the operation of the services provided by the Township under methods which will further, to the fullest extent possible, the safety of the Employees, economy and efficiency of operation, elimination of waste, realization of maximum quantity and quality of output, cleanliness, protection of property, avoidance of interruptions to services, establish an equitable and peaceful procedure for resolution of differences, and establish rates of pay, hours of work, and other conditions of employment. The parties to this Agreement agree to cooperate fully to secure the advancement and achievement of these purposes.

SECTION 2. Public Employees

The Department of Police and the individual members of this P.B.A. Bargaining Unit agree to regard themselves as Public Employees and are to be governed by the highest ideals of honor and integrity in all their public and personal conduct so that they merit the respect and confidence of the general public.

ARTICLE II
RECOGNITION

Section 1. The Township of Cranford hereby recognizes the Policemen's Benevolent Association Local No. 52 Patrolmen and Patrolmen Detectives Unit as the sole and exclusive representative of the collective bargaining unit for all "duly sworn officers" of the non-commissioned rank of Patrolman and Patrolman Detective for purposes of collective bargaining with respect to rates of pay, hours of work, and other terms and conditions of employment but excluding the Chief of Police, Deputy Chief(s) of Police, Assistant Chief(s) of Police, Captain(s), Lieutenant(s), Sergeant(s), clerical employee(s), dispatcher(s), and all other employees of the Township.

Section 2. The term "bargaining unit" as used herein shall include "all duly sworn officers" set forth hereinabove regardless of whether employee(s) are members or non-members of the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association - Local No. 52.

Section 3. The term "employee" as used herein shall mean employee(s) represented by the bargaining unit.

ARTICLE III
MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

SECTION 1.

The Township hereby retains and reserves unto itself, without limitation, all powers, rights, authority, duties and responsibilities conferred upon and vested in it by the laws and Constitution of the State of New Jersey and of the United States and any modifications made thereto, and any ordinances and resolutions passed by Township-elected or appointed governing body.

SECTION 2.

a. The Union recognizes that the Township's rights to manage its affairs and direct its work force and, within the existing framework within the Statutes of the State of New Jersey to maintain the Township of Cranford in the County of Union in as efficient a mannner as is consistent with good management practices and fair labor standards.

b. The Township has and is vested with all the customary and usual rights, power, functions and authority of management.

c. The Union further recognizes that the management of the Township, the control of its properties and the maintenance of order and efficiency is solely a responsibility of the Township.

SECTION 3.

All rights which ordinarily vest in and are exercised by employers, are reserved to and remain vested in the Township.

Article III - Management Rights (continued)

The Township shall have all other rights and prerogatives including those exercised unilaterally in the past subject only to clear and express restrictions governing the exercise of these rights as are expressly provided for in this Agreement.

SECTION 4.

The Township retains the sole right to suspend, demote, discharge or take other disciplinary action for good and just cause according to law, provided that in the exercise of this right it will not act in violation of the terms of the Agreement.

SECTION 5.

The Union agrees that the exercise of the foregoing powers, rights, authority, duties or responsibilities of the Township, the adoption of policies, rules, regulations and practices and furtherance thereof, and the use of judgment and discretion in connection therewith shall be limited only by the specific and express terms of this Agreement and then only to the extent such specific and express terms hereof are in conformance with the Constitution and Law of New Jersey and of the United States and Ordinances of the Township of Cranford provided said Ordinances are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Agreement.

SECTION 6.

The Township agrees the Management Rights Article shall not be used as a guise to unfairly discriminate against any Employee(s) or the Union.

ARTICLE IV
NON-DISCRIMINATION

Section 1.

The Township and the Union agree that the provisions of this Agreement shall be applied equally to all Employees and there shall be no discrimination as to age, sex, marital status, race, color, creed, national origin or political affiliation.

Section 2.

The Township agrees not to interfere with the right of Employees to become members of the Union. There shall be no discrimination by the Township or any of its representatives against any Employee because of Union membership or because of any Employee activity permissible under law or this Agreement in an official capacity on behalf of the Union.

Section 3.

The Union recognizes its responsibility as exclusive collective bargaining representative and agrees to represent all Employees in the bargaining unit without discrimination or interference.

Section 4.

All references in this Agreement to Employees of the male gender are used for convenience only and shall be constructed to include both male and female Employees.

ARTICLE V
NO STRIKE PLEDGE

Section 1.

The parties to this Agreement mutually recognize the services performed by Employees covered by this Agreement are services essential to the public health, safety and welfare. The P.B.A. therefore covenants and agrees that during the term of this Agreement that there shall be no interruption of these services for any reason whatsoever by the Employees it represents, and that neither the P.B.A. nor any person acting in its behalf will cause, authorize or support, nor will any of its members take part in any strike (ie. the concerted failure to report for duty, or absence of an Employee from his work or position, or stoppage of work, or abstinence in whole or in part from the full, faithful and proper performance of the Employee's duties of employment), work stoppage, slow-down, walk-out, sit-downs or any acts that interfere in any manner or to any degree with the services of any department of the Township. The P.B.A. further agrees that its members, upon the direction of the Department Head or his designee, will respond to cover in the Township or in any other municipality where a Police or emergency or rescue activity is in progress.

Section 2.

In the event of a strike, a slow-down, walk-out, or other form of job action it is covenanted and agreed that participation in any such activity by any P.B.A. member shall be deemed grounds for disciplinary action, including possible termination of employment of such Employee or Employees.

ARTICLE V

NO STRIKE PLEDGE (continued)

Section 3.

The P.B.A. agrees that it will do everything in its power to prevent its members from participating in any strike, work stoppage, slow down or other activity aforementioned. The P.B.A. actions will include, but not be limited to publicly disavowing such activities and ordering all such members who participate in such activities to cease and desist from same immediately and to return to work, along with such other steps as may be necessary under the circumstances to bring about compliance with its order.

Section 4.

Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to limit or restrict the Township in its right to seek and obtain such judicial relief as it may be entitled to have in law or in equity for injunction or damages, or both, in the event of such breach by the P.B.A. or its members.

ARTICLE VI

MAJORITY BARGAINING AGENT RIGHTS AND DUTIES

Section 1.

The Township shall permit members of the P.B.A. Negotiating Committee (not to exceed two (2) members) to attend collective bargaining negotiation meetings with Township Officials during the regular duty tour of the member(s).

Such meeting held during the regular duty tour of the member(s) shall be without loss of pay or time provided the conduct of such business shall not diminish the effectiveness of the Police Department or require the recall of off-duty Employee(s) to bring the Police Department to its proper effectiveness.

Section 2.

The Township shall permit members of the P.B.A. Grievance Committee (not to exceed one (1) member) to conduct the business of the Grievance Committee, which consists of conferring with Employees and management on specific alleged grievances in accordance with the Grievance Procedure set forth in Article VIII of this Agreement, during the regular duty tour hours of the member(s) without loss of pay or time provided the conduct of such business shall not diminish the effectiveness of the Police Department or require the recall of off-duty Employee(s) to bring the Police Department to its proper effectiveness.

Section 3.

The Township agrees to grant to the members of the P.B.A. who are selected as State Delegate and Alternate State Delegate time off without loss of pay to attend any New Jersey State P.B.A. Convention as provided under N.J.S. 40A:14-177

Article VI
Majority Bargaining Agent Rights & Duties (continued)

Section 4.

The P.B.A. shall be responsible for acquainting its members with the provisions of this Agreement and shall be responsible for the adherence to the terms and conditions of this Agreement by such members.

Section 5.

The Township agrees the member of the P.B.A. selected as State Delegate shall be granted time off without loss of pay to attend State P.B.A. meetings, not to exceed twelve (12) annually.

ARTICLE VII
DUES CHECK-OFF

Section 1.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14-15.9E

The Township agrees to deduct the current uniform dues on a bi-weekly basis provided that at the time of such deduction there is in possession of the Township a current written assignment, individually and voluntarily executed by the Employee, in the form and according to the terms of the authorization form provided by the Township executed annually or upon re-instatement.

Section 2.

The Township will deduct the current uniform dues from the pay of the Employee(s) on a bi-weekly basis provided that if an Employee has no pay coming for such pay period, or if such pay period is the first pay of a new Employee, such dues shall be deducted from the next appropriate pay period.

Section 3.

The Township will deduct from the pay of Employee(s) in any one month only dues incurred while an Employee has been in the employ of the Township and only such amounts becoming due and payable in such month.

Section 4.

In the event that a refund is due any Employee for any sums deducted from wages and paid to the Union, it shall be the responsibility of such Employee to obtain appropriate refund from the Union.

Section 5.

All sums deducted by the Township shall be remitted to the Treasurer,

Article VII - Dues Check-off (continued)

Local Union No. 52, Policemen's Benevolent Association, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey not later than the 31st day of the calendar month subsequent to the month in which such deductions are made.

Section 6.

In the event the Union requests that the Township deduct dues in excess of the amounts deducted as of the date of execution of this Agreement, such request shall be effective only upon written assurance by the requesting party that the additional amounts have been authorized pursuant to and under the Union's constitution; provided that in the event a new written authorization from the Employee is necessary that such authorization will be secured by the Union and presented to the Township prior to the deduction of the newly certified amounts.

Section 7.

The Employer shall not be liable for the remittance or payment of any sums other than those constituting actual deductions made; and if for any reason it fails to make a deduction for any Employee as above provided, it shall make that deduction from the Employee's next pay in which such deduction is normally deducted after the error has been called to its attention by the Employee or the Union.

Section 8.

The Union agrees that at no time will it solicit or collect monies of any kind on Township time or property.

Section 9.

The Union shall indemnify and hold the Township harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits, or other forms of liability that shall arise out of or by reason of action taken or not taken by the Township for purpose of complying with any of the provisions of this Article.

ARTICLE VIII
GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

Section 1. Definition

The term "grievance" as used herein is a written dispute, claim or complaint arising under and during the term of the Agreement and filed by either an Employee in the bargaining unit, the P.B.A. or the Township. Grievance(s) are limited to matters of interpretation or application of express provisions or alleged violations of this Agreement.

Section 2. General

The Township and Union, recognizing that an orderly grievance procedure is necessary, agree that the following constitutes the sole and exclusive method of resolving grievances between the parties over this Agreement with the exception of Township initiated grievances which will proceed in accordance with Section 4 of this Article and agree that each step as set forth herein shall be followed in its entirety or the grievance is forfeited unless any step is waived by mutual consent.

Section 3. Grievance Steps

Step 1. An Employee with a grievance shall first discuss the grievance with his immediate supervisor for the purpose of resolving the matter informally. The immediate superior shall render a decision within five (5) working days after receipt of the grievance.

Step 2. If the aggrieved Employee is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance the Employee may file a grievance in writing with the Chief of the Police Department or his designated representative within five (5) days of the conclusion of Step 1.

ARTICLE VIII

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE (continued)

A hearing on the grievance may be held between the Chief of Police or his designated representative and the aggrieved Employee. The Chief of Police will render a decision in writing within ten (10) working days.

Step 3. If the aggrieved party is not satisfied with the disposition of his grievance at Step 2, he may submit the matter for review by the Township Administrator within five (5) working days after receiving the decision in Step 2. The Township Administrator shall render a decision from the record before him in writing within ten (10) working days.

Step 4. If the Employee is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance at Step 3, the Employee may submit the grievance in writing to the Township Greivance Committee through the office of Township Administrator within five (5) working days after the response of the Township Administrator. The Township Grievance Committee shall hold a hearing on such grievance within twenty (20) working days after submission and shall render a decision within ten (10) days after holding such hearing. A representative of the P.B.A. may attend such hearing. The Township Greivance Committee shall set forth its findings and such conclusions in writing with a copy thereof to the P.B.A. and to the Township.

Section 4.

The Township may institute action under the provisions of this Article withn five (5) working days after the event giving rise to the grievance has occurred. Such grievance shall be filed directly with the Executive Board of the P.B.A. and an earnest

ARTICLE VIII

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE (continued)

effort shall be made to settle the differences between the Township and the P.B.A. If such grievance is not settled, it may be submitted to the American Arbitration Association for the selection of an impartial arbitrator in accordance with their rules and regulations. Such submission shall be made not later than ten (10) working days following failure by the parties to resolve the differences.

Section 5. Grievance in Writing

All grievances shall be in writing on forms agreed to by the parties. The aggrieved party shall state clearly and concisely all facts which are the basis for the grievance and if the claim that any Articles of this Agreement are involved, the aggrieved party shall specify such articles. The grievance shall be dated and signed by the aggrieved party or parties.

Section 6.

Grievance hearings and conferences shall be held at the Municipal Building. Provided prior permission has been secured from the Chief, a representative from the P.B.A. whose presence is required to resolve grievances shall be released from work without loss of regular straight time pay for the purpose of participating in such a grievance resolution and further provided that there shall be no interference with the operation of the Township. In addition, witnesses who are reasonably required for the purposes of appearing at a hearing shall, if prior permission is secured from the Chief, be made available during working hours, if necessary, without loss of regular straight time pay for the purpose of appearing at hearings.

ARTICLE IX
GRIEVANCE ARBITRATION

Section 1.

- a. Either party may request arbitration of an unsettled grievance. The party desiring arbitration must notify the other party in writing of such desire within ten (10) working days after the decision in writing is given under the last step of the grievance procedure provided for in this Agreement. In the event either party fails to serve such written notice, the grievance shall be considered as settled on the basis of the written disposition made in the last step of the grievance procedure.
- b. After receipt of a desire to arbitrate, the Township and P.B.A. shall attempt to agree on an arbitrator. If the Township and the P.B.A. are unable to so agree within seven (7) working days, or within a longer period if mutually agreed upon, the grieving party may submit the matter to the American Arbitration Association requesting that an impartial arbitrator be selected in accordance with their rules and regulations.
- c. Only the Township or the P.B.A. shall have the right to submit a grievance to arbitration.

Section 2.

- a. Any grievance submitted for arbitration shall first be reduced to a written "Submission Agreement" detailing the dispute at issue. If the Township and the P.B.A. cannot agree upon the Submission, each party, at least two (2) days in advance of the hearing, shall submit to the other a statement of the issues it considers in dispute and the arbitrator shall

ARTICLE IX

GRIEVANCE ARBITRATION (continued)

determine, at or before the hearing, the issue(s) to be arbitrated provided that issue(s) are arbitratable under the terms of this Agreement.

- b. The joint "Submission Agreement" shall be signed by the Township, the P.B.A. and all aggrieved Employee(s), if any. In the event separate statements of the issues are submitted, the Township shall sign its copy and the P.B.A. and the aggrieved Employee(s) if any, shall sign the P.B.A.'s statement of issue.

Section 3.

The arbitrator shall be bound by the provisions of this Agreement and restricted to the application of the facts presented to him involved in the grievance. The arbitrator shall not have the authority to add to, modify, detract from or alter in any way the provisions of this Agreement or any amendment or supplement thereto.

Section 4.

The cost for the services of the arbitrator shall be borne equally between the Township and the P.B.A. Any other expense shall be paid by the party incurring same.

Section 5.

It shall be the obligation of the arbitrator to the Township and to the P.B.A. to make his best effort to rule on cases heard by him within thirty (30) days after the hearing.

Section 6.

Arbitration hearings and conferences shall be held at the Municipal Building. Provided prior permission has been secured from the Chief,

ARTICLE IX

GRIEVANCE ARBITRATION (Continued)

a representative from the P.B.A. whose presence is required to resolve arbitrations shall be released from work without loss of regular straight time pay for the purpose of participating in such an arbitration hearing and further provided that there shall be no interference with the operation of the Township. In addition, witnesses who are reasonably required for the purposes of appearing at an arbitration hearing shall, if prior permission is secured from the Chief, be made available during working hours, if necessary, without loss of regular straight time pay for the purpose of appearing at arbitration hearings.

ARTICLE X

SENIORITY

Section 1. Definition

- a. An Employee must be regular, full-time, permanent, and in full-pay status, in order to be eligible to accrue seniority.
- b. Such Employee's seniority shall date from the most recent starting date of continuous full-time employment with the Department of Police. Such Departmental seniority shall accumulate until there is a break in service. Departmental seniority of an Employee who is reinstated after a period of layoff shall be continued retroactively exclusive of the period of layoff.
- c. An Employee shall be added to the seniority list on last date of hire.

Section 2. Seniority Rights

An Employee's seniority shall entitle him only to such rights as are expressly provided for in this Agreement.

Section 3. Equal Seniority

- a. In the event two or more Employees have equal seniority, the Employee's seniority shall be determined on the basis of the total points amassed and used for making the appointment to the Department of Police.
- b. In the event two or more Employees have equal total points or said data is not available, then the "high card draw" system shall determine the more senior Employee.

ARTICLE X

SENIORITY (continued)

Section 4. Probationary Period

- a. All regular full-time Employees shall serve a probationary period of eighteen (18) calendar months uninterrupted by any type of service break during which time they will be termed "probationary employees".
- b. During the probationary period, an Employee shall be eligible for Employee benefits unless expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement. After the Employee has successfully completed his probationary period of employment, Employee shall become a regular full-time Employee and his seniority shall start as stated in Section 1 of this Article.
- c. During the probationary period an Employee's performance shall be reviewed and evaluated in accordance with current procedures every four (4) months. Employee will continue in probationary status automatically unless Chief of Police recommends to the Township Committee to change status from probationary to regular full-time. Chief of Police must make a recommendation at the end of eighteen (18) month period to either terminate the services of the Employee or recommend change in status to regular from probationary.
- d. Probationary Employees' service with the Township may be terminated at any time by the Township in its sole discretion and neither the Employee so terminated nor the Union shall have recourse to the Grievance Procedure over such termination. An Employee terminated during the probationary period may, however, request a hearing before the Township Administrator and, if not satisfied with the decision of the Township Administrator, request a hearing before the Township Committee.

ARTICLE X

SENIORITY (continued)

Section 5. Promotion to Supervisory Position

- a. An Employee promoted or transferred from a job classification in the bargaining unit to a supervisory position shall retain the seniority Employee had at the time of such promotion or transfer and shall continue to accumulate seniority while he is in such supervisory position for a period of eighteen (18) months.
- b. An Employee promoted or transferred as described in sub-section (a) above, shall have a right to return to the bargaining unit and be placed on the job to which his seniority would entitle him if his employment with the Township had remained unbroken; provided, however, if such Employee is discharged for cause, Employee shall not be eligible for return to the bargaining unit.

Section 6 Lay-off and Recall

- a. Seniority shall prevail in cases of lay-off and recall. Lay-off's shall be in the inverse order of Employee's appointment and recall shall be in the reverse order of Employee's lay-off.
- b. A laid-off Employee, if recalled to a job similar in work content and identical or higher in rate of pay to the job from which he was laid off, shall be required to take the recall. Failure to take such offered work shall result in loss of seniority and discharge.
- c. The order of recalling laid-off Employees shall be in the inverse order in which the Employees are laid off and shall be subject to the same conditions of lay-off.

ARTICLE X

SENIORITY (continued)

d. Notices of recall shall be sent by certified or registered mail, or telegram to the Employee's last known address as shown on the Township's records and it shall be the obligation of the Employee to provide the Township with a current address and telephone number. A recalled Employee shall give notice of his intent to return to work within five (5) consecutive calendar days of date of notice, and shall return within fourteen (14) calendar days or his employment shall be terminated without recourse to this Agreement.

e. In the event a recall is necessary on less than five (5) days notice, the Township may call upon the laid-off Employee(s), either personally or by telephone, until an Employee able to return to work is located. In such case, the Employee able to return to work immediately will be given a temporary assignment not to exceed fourteen (14) days, and Employees passed over because of their inability to return to work immediately will be given notice to report for work at the end of said fourteen (14) day period.

Section 7. Loss of Seniority

An Employee's seniority and employment shall terminate if:

1. The Employee quits; or
2. The Employee is discharged; or
3. The Employee fails to give notice of his intent to return to work within five (5) calendar days and/or fails to report for work within fourteen (14) calendar days after issuance of the Township's notice of recall by certified mail to the last known address of such Employee as shown by the Employer's records. It shall be the responsibility of the Employee to provide the Township with a current address; or

ARTICLE X

SENIORITY (continued)

4. The Employee is absent from work for three (3) consecutive working days without advising the Township of a reason acceptable to the Township for such absence; or

5. The Employee overstays a Leave of Absence without advising the Township of a reason acceptable to the Township for such overstay; or

6. The Employee gives a false reason in requesting a Leave of Absence; or

7. A Settlement with the Employee has been made for total disability; or

8. The Employee is retired; or

9. The Employee is laid off or has not, for any reason, worked for a continuous period of two (2) years or more; or

10. The Employee falsified pertinent information on his application for employment.

Section 8. Vacation

Seniority of the members of the Bargaining Unit within the Division and, where appropriate, within the Platoon shall be the basis for determining preference of vacation.

Section 9. Leaves of Absence

The Employee who takes an authorized Leave of Absence from duty for more than five (5) working days for reasons other than Sick Leave or Vacation shall not earn seniority during said authorized Leave of Absence.

Section 10. Seniority - Exemption

Should a Court or administrative tribunal of competent jurisdiction order or request through its entitlement procedures that the Township

ARTICLE XI
Hours of Employment

Section 1.

(a) The work day shall consist of eight (8) consecutive hours in a twenty-four (24) hour period, except as mutually agreed to by the parties concerned.

(b) The work week shall consist of five (5) consecutive working days.

(c) The Employee's hourly rate shall be determined by dividing the Employee's weekly salary by forty (40).

ARTICLE XII

SALARIES

The salary schedule for all Employees covered under this Agreement shall be set forth as in Schedule "A" which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

ARTICLE XIII

OVERTIME

Section 1.

An Employee covered by this Agreement who is required to work overtime after completing an eight (8) hour tour of duty during his five (5) consecutive working days shall be paid for all overtime worked at the rate of one and one-half (1 1/2) times the Employee's regular rate of pay on a quarter hour basis.

Section 2.

An Employee required to work on his scheduled day off or a vacation day shall be paid overtime at the rate of one and one-half (1 1/2) times the Employee's regular pay for all time worked.

Section 3.

When an Employee is directed to appear at headquarters for any reason other than scheduled working hours, then such Employee shall be paid overtime at the rate of one and one-half (1 1/2) times the Employee's regular pay for all time spent and shall be guaranteed a minimum of one hour's pay at said overtime rate. This provision shall not apply to appearances for disciplinary purposes.

Section 4.

All overtime pay shall be paid semi-annually according to the following schedule:

1. Jan. 1st through June 30th - first pay in July
2. July 1st through Dec. 15th - last pay in December.

ARTICLE XIII

OVERTIME (continued)

Any overtime worked during the last fifteen (15) days in December shall be accrued and paid over at the rate of pay when worked with the first pay in the succeeding July.

Section 5. Overtime Roster

a. A rotating overtime emergency roster system shall be developed, approved and implemented by the Chief of Police subject to the written concurrence of the Township Administrator. The purpose of the emergency overtime roster system is to dispense overtime equally to all members of the Bargaining Unit.

b. Once concurrence of the Township Administrator has been secured for the proposed system, the procedures shall be incorporated into the Police Manual and as an addendum to this contract.

Section 6.

Each Employee covered by this Agreement shall qualify with a service weapon in accordance with the Township Department of Police regulations and procedures twice a year at no additional compensation expense to the Township either in the form of regular straight-time pay, overtime pay or time-off in lieu of pay. Whenever feasible or practical, and at the sole discretion of the Chief of Police or his designated representative, qualifying sessions may occur during the Employee's normal duty tour.

ARTICLE XIV

COURT TIME

Employees covered by this Agreement who are required to appear in connection with their Police duties for the Township in Municipal Court or any other Court of Law, petit juries, grand juries, suppression hearings, alcoholic beverage control hearings, State Investigating Commission hearings, or State Motor Vehicle hearings whether said appearance is by subpoena, witness or as the complainant shall be paid for all overtime worked at the rate of time and one-half the Employee's regular rate of pay and shall be guaranteed a minimum of one (1) hour overtime to be paid.

ARTICLE XV

MERIT INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Section 1.

In addition to the annual salary, a merit incentive step payment program is hereby instituted for all fourth (4th) grade Patrolmen as follows:

<u>Incentive Step</u>	<u>Points Required</u>	<u>Dollar Value Per Point</u>	<u>Additional Compensation</u>
8th	160 *	\$16.64	\$2,662.40 *
7th	140 *	16.64	2,329.60 *
6th	120	16.64	1,996.80
5th	110	16.64	1,830.40
4th	90	16.64	1,497.60
3rd	70	16.64	1,164.80
2nd	45	16.64	748.80
1st	30	16.64	499.20

* Must have obtained a minimum of an Associates Degree to qualify for this percentage .

Section 2.

The merit incentive points are to be awarded as follows:

1. Prior to January 1, 1973 each class hour at approved courses, of more than ten (10) hours, conducted by State, Federal or other training agencies outside of the departmental in-service training programs and initial recruit academy training - 1/20 point.
2. After January 1, 1973 each class hour at approved courses of more than eight (8) hours conducted by State, Federal or other training agencies outside of departmental in-service training programs and initial recruit academy training - 1/15 point.
3. Each full year of service in the department - 1 point.
4. Each approved semester hour credit obtained in a college, technical institute or other institution of higher learning in courses prescribed by the Chief of Police with approval of the Township Committee - 1 point.

Article XV
Merit Incentive Prog.(contd.)

5. Qualifying average mark of eighty (80) or above in annual in-service training examinations - 1 point.
6. Recognized hours obtained in correspondence courses prescribed by the Chief of Police with approval of the Township Committee. Points to be assigned each course prior to the commencement of said course. Range from 2 to 6 points.
7. Associates Degree in Police Science - 25 points.
8. Associates Degree - 35 points.
9. Baccalureate Degree with Police Field Major - 50 points.
11. From 1 to 4 points (merit) annually for Superior Officers Merit Rating.

Section 3.

Points shall accumulate from date of appointment. However, the additional compensation to be added to the base set forth in Schedule "A" shall not commence until completion of service as a third grade patrolman.

ARTICLE XVI
CLOTHING AND UNIFORM ALLOWANCE

Section 1.

Each regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties shall receive a clothing allowance of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for each calendar year.

Section 2.

The Chief of Police shall prescribe the rules and regulations regarding what constitutes a dress and/or work uniforms, when they are to be worn, and the specifications of quality, color, etc. for same.

Section 3.

If any part of the uniform of an Employee is damaged or destroyed in the line of duty, the Township shall pay for the replacement or repair thereof upon voucher submitted therefor and approved by the Chief of Police.

Section 4.

The Employee shall be responsible for the care and maintenance of all uniforms and clothing gear and Employee shall be in violation of this Agreement and subject to disciplinary action if Township issued clothing is used or worn for any purpose other than for Township Department of Police assigned duties.

ARTICLE XVII

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Section 1. Definition

A Leave of Absence is the absence from duty of an Employee for more than five (5) working days with the permission of the Township Committee for reasons other than Sick Leave or Vacation Leave. Such permission shall be in writing, copies of which shall be forwarded to the appropriate individuals.

Section 2. Leave of Absence Without Pay

a. A Leave of Absence Without Pay may be granted by the Township Committee for a period not exceeding one (1) year to an Employee:

1. Who is temporarily or physically incapacitated or unable to perform duties; or
2. To attend an approved school or to engage in an approved course of study designed to increase usefulness on the return to service, provided such school or course receives prior approval of the Township Committee; or
3. In time of emergency or preparation for national defense whose special qualifications are required, in industry, or other businesses devoted to the production of supplies for defense purposes but only when the need for such services is certified by competent Federal authority and approved by the Township Committee.

b. Leave of Absence will not be granted to Employees to enter non-military service or as a matter of convenience or temporary advantage to such Employee by reason of place or hours of work or increased compensation.

Article XVII - Leave of Absence (continued)

c. Leave of Absence requested due to illness must be accompanied by a medical doctor's certificate that the Employee is unable to work and the reason therefor.

Section 3. Leave of Absence Administration

a. Leave of Absence requests shall be submitted in writing to the Township Administrator through the Chief of Police stating:

1. Reason for Leave of Absence.
2. Date Leave of Absence is to begin, and
3. Date Leave of Absence is to end.

b. Leave of Absence may not commence or end on the day preceeding or following vacation leave.

c. An Employee who obtains a Leave of Absence for a reason other than the one stated at the time the request was made may be terminated from his employment solely at the discretion of the Township regarding such termination.

d. An Employee may not return to work prior to expiration of requested Leave of Absence without the expressed and prior approval of the Township Committee.

e. An Employee failing to return to work on the date scheduled shall be cause for termination of employment at the sole discretion of the Township regarding such termination.

f. Time absent from duty by an Employee on Leave of Absence without pay shall not be considered as continuous service.

g. Upon return of an Employee from a Leave of Absence Without Pay, Employee shall be re-employed at work generally similar to that which he did last and at the prevailing arate of pay for that job, if available.

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Section 4.

Leave of Absence Without Pay shall become effective only after approval by the Township Committee.

Section 5.

Any Employee leaving his position without written authorization from the Township Committee will be deemed to have abandoned his Position and to have resigned from the employment of the Township.

ARTICLE XVIII

ADMINISTRATIVE (PERSONAL) LEAVE

Section 1. Definition

A regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties shall be entitled to sixteen (16) hours of administrative leave of absence with pay in each calendar year. Administrative Leave may be used for (1) emergencies, (2) observation of religious or other days of celebration but not holidays, (3) personal business, or (4) other personal affairs.

Section 2. Priority

Priority in granting such administrative leave request shall be (a) emergencies, (b) observation of religious or other days of celebrations but not holidays, (c) personal business, and (d) other personal affairs.

Section 3. Administration

a. Administrative leave shall be granted by the Chief of Police upon request of the Employee provided that:

1. Request is in writing,
2. Request is submitted at least five (5) working days in advance of the day Administrative Leave is to be taken,
3. Such Administrative Leave shall impose no additional cost to the Township,
4. Efficiency of the Department of Police will not be impaired or diminished or cause a serious manpower shortage, such determination to be made by the Chief of Police.

In cases of emergency five (5) working days notice may be waived by the Chief of Police.

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ADMINISTRATIVE (PERSONAL) LEAVE

b. Policies concerning Administrative (Personal) Leave shall be agreed upon by the Chief of Police and the P.B.A. with the concurrence of the Township Administrator.

c. Where, within the Department of Police, there are more requests than can be granted for use of this leave for one of the purposes stated hereinabove, the conflict will then be resolved on a first come, first served basis, ie. the time and date of filing of request.

Section 4. Accumulation

Such Administrative Leave shall not accumulate beyond the calendar year in which earned unless the Employee's request for such leave is denied by the Chief of Police and expressly approved by the Township Administrator and in any event such accumulation shall not exceed three (3) days.

Section 5.

Such Administrative (Personal) Leave shall not run concurrent with Employee's Holiday, Sick or Vacation Leave.

ARTICLE XIX

BEREAVEMENT LEAVE

Section 1. Bereavement Leave

Bereavement Leave with pay shall be granted by the Department Head to a regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties in the event of a death of a member of the immediate family, said leave to commence on date of death and continue through day of burial.

Section 2. Immediate family

Immediate family shall consist of grandfather, grandmother, father, mother, spouse, daughter, son, brother, sister, and one time only father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law and son-in-law.

Section 3. Additional Bereavement Leave

A regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status and actively at work performing assigned duties shall be granted by the Chief of Police one day of bereavement leave with pay to attend funeral of grandchild, aunt, uncle, nephew, niece, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, and cousin of the first degree.

Section 4.

Exceptions to this may be made where the funeral of the deceased is in another city and the member would be unable to return for his next scheduled tour of duty.

Section 5.

Each Employee may, with the approval and at the sole discretion of the Chief of Police, be granted special leave with pay whenever the Employee

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is able to secure a substitute Employee provided:

1. Such substitution does not result in the payment of any overtime or other costs by the Township;
2. The efficiency of the Department is not diminished.
3. The action of the Chief of Police shall not be subject to the Grievance Procedure.

Section 6. Notification

All Bereavement Leave shall be authorized by and reported to the Chief of Police who shall in turn report such absence to the Township Administrator and the Director of Finance.

ARTICLE XX
DISABILITY LEAVE

Section 1. Definition

Disability Leave shall mean the absence of a regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties from duty because of illness or injury as a result of and arising from employment with the Township.

Section 2. Disability Leave Days

Whenever such an Employee is disabled through injury or illness as a result of and arising from employment with the Township as evidenced by a certificate of a physician and by qualification for Workers' Compensation, such Employee may be granted a Leave of Absence by the Township Committee with full pay:

Two (2) calendar weeks for each year of service,
not to exceed fifty-two (52) weeks.

Section 3. Disability Benefits Assignment

During the period in which the full salary or wages or any Employee on Disability Leave is paid by the Township, any weekly compensation payments received by the Employee under the Township Workers' Compensation policy or Social Security Disability Benefits, or any other disability benefits provided by a program paid for by the Township shall be assigned to the Township.

Section 4.

Days lost through compensable disability shall not be charged against Sick Leave allowance.

ARTICLE XX

DISABILITY LEAVE (continued)

Section 5. Lump Sum Awards

Lump sum compensation awards for permanent disability shall not be deducted from the salary paid by the Township.

Section 6. Board of Physicians

The Township also reserves the right to appoint a physician or Board of Physicians mutually agreeable to both parties for the purpose of independent determination in cases of repeated disability absences or protracted periods of disability illness, or other justifiable reasons as to whether an Employee is physically able to return to work or is physically able to carry out his assigned duties and remain on work force or such other duties as the Chief of Police and/or the Township Administrator may assign.

ARTICLE XXI

HOLIDAY LEAVE

Section 1.

Each regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties shall earn and accrue a maximum of twelve (12) days off each calendar year in lieu of holidays to be known as "H" days at the rate of one (1) day per month.

Section 2. Holidays

The following days only shall be recognized as paid holidays for purposes of this Agreement for regular full-time Employees:

New Year's Day	Labor Day
Lincoln's Birthday	Columbus Day
Washington's Birthday	Election Day
Good Friday	Veteran's Day
Memorial Day	Thanksgiving Day
Independence Day	Christmas Day

Section 3.

- a. An Employee shall have the option to take a "H" day or time-off in lieu of a paid holiday at straight-time from zero ("0") to twelve (12) days with the prior consent of the Chief of Police and Township Administrator provided Employee advises the Chief of Police and the Director of Finance of such selection no later than November 1st of the year preceeding the calendar year in which the holidays occur.

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- b. An Employee will be paid for all unused Holidays ("H" days) to be paid in the first scheduled pay in December for the current calendar year at the daily rate of pay "H" day was earned and accrued in addition to Employee's regular per annum salary upon verification and approval of the Chief of Police.

Section 4.

Employees agree that compensatory time-off ("H" eay) in lieu of a paid holiday will not be requested to run concurrent with the Employee's Administrative or Vacation Leave.

Section 5.

Employees agree that compensatory time-off ("H" day) in lieu of a paid holiday will not be requested if such request requires the calling-in or holding over an off-duty Employee or diminishes the effectiveness of the Department of Police as determined by the Chief of Police.

ARTICLE XXII
MILITARY LEAVE

Section 1.

Upon proper application to his Department Head, Employees who are members of the organized militia of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine or National Guard may be granted fifteen (15) days of leave each year to serve the time required for such service. Compensation paid for this period shall be the difference between the regular salary received from the Township and the remuneration received from the Armed Forces. Said Leave shall be granted only when required by the laws of the State of New Jersey or the Federal Government and shall not be construed as vacation.

Section 2.

Any Employee on the seniority list inducted or recalled into the armed forces of the United States within the meaning of the Selective Service Act of 1967, herein called the Act, or similar Federal law in the time of National Emergency, shall be granted an indefinite Leave of Absence without pay and who, within the meaning of the Act, satisfactorily completes his period of service, shall upon termination of such service and consistent with such Act, be reinstated in line with his seniority at the time of induction, at the then current rate for such work, provided he has not been dishonorably discharged from such service, is physically able, in the opinion of the Township's physician, to perform the work in the classification from which inducted, and who reports for work within ninety (90) calendar days of the date he is discharged or otherwise separated from such service in the armed forces of the United States; provided further that it is not the

Article XXII - Military Leave (continued)

intent of the parties hereto to require that the Township provide any right or assume any duties or obligations, monetary or otherwise other than those rights, duties and obligations specifically set forth in applicable Federal law. Departmental seniority of an Employee reinstated after a period of induction shall be continued retroactively exclusive of the period of induction.

ARTICLE XXIII

SICK LEAVE

Section 1. Definition

Sick Leave shall mean the absence from duty of a regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties because of illness, accident, or other health cause making Employee unable to perform his normal duties.

Section 2. Sick Leave Days

- a. A regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties hired on or before December 31, 1978 with less than one (1) year service shall earn and accrue eight (8) hours Sick Leave with pay for each full calendar month of employment.
- b. A regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties with one or more years of service shall earn and accrue ten (10) hours Sick Leave with pay for each full calendar month of service for a maximum accumulation of one hundred twenty (120) hours per annum for absence due to bonafide illness for a maximum accumulation of seven hundred twenty (720) hours.
- c. When accumulated unused Sick Leave falls below seven hundred twenty (720) work hours, Sick Leave may subsequently accumulate at the rate of ten (10) work hours for each full calendar month of service and one hundred twenty (120) work hours for each full calendar year of service until a maximum of seven hundred twenty (720) work hours is again reached.

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SICK LEAVE (continued)

Section 3.

A regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties hired on or after January 1, 1979 shall earn and accrue eight (8) hours Sick Leave with pay for each full calendar month of employment for a maximum accumulation of ninety six (96.0) hours per annum for absence due to bonafide illness for a maximum accumulation of one thousand forty (1,040.0) hours.

Section 4. Notification

All Sick Leave shall be reported to the Chief of Police on a form prescribed by the Township who shall in turn report in writing such absences to the Township Administrator and Director of Finance.

Section 5. Certification

Every absence on account of sickness in excess of three (3) or more working days must be certified by a written statement from an attending physician.

Section 6. Verification

An Employee absent from work due to a bonafide illness and utilizing a day of Sick Leave with pay must be at home during the hours scheduled to work for which Employee is being paid and reported off sick except to go to the physician's office. The Township reserves the right to send a physician, visiting nurse, or other appropriate official to report on the condition of the Employee.

Section 7. Board of Physicians

The Township also reserves the right to appoint a physician or Board of Physicians for the purpose of independent determination

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SICK LEAVE (continued)

in cases of repeated absences or protracted periods of illness, or other justifiable reasons as to whether an Employee is physically able to carry out his duties and remain on work force.

Section 8. Additional Sick Leave

In unusual cases of prolonged illness, the Township Committee may, by resolution, grant Sick Leave at one-half (1/2) rate of pay to an Employee over the time allowed and available for use in Section 2 hereinbefore set forth in this Article to a maximum of twenty-six (26) additional weeks, such pay to be reduced by any Social Security disability benefits received or any other disability benefits received provided by a program paid for by the Township.

Section 9. Advancing of Sick Leave

A regular, full-time permanent Employee in full-pay status may, upon written request and recommendation of the Chief of Police, and approval of Township Administrator, request an advance on Sick Leave to be earned of up to one hundred twenty (120) hours of Sick Leave provided said Employee reimburses Township for any unearned Sick Leave advanced in the event Employee's employment terminated prior to date necessary to earn the Sick Leave advanced to said Employee. An Employee denied approval of an advance on Sick Leave may request a review of the Township Administrator's decision by the Township Committee. Denial of approval by the Township Committee of such request shall not be the basis of a grievance.

Section 10. Sick Leave Disallowed

Sick Leave with pay will not be allowed under the following conditions:

- a. If an Employee, when under medical care, fails to comply with the with the orders of the attending physician.
- b. If the opinion of an examining physician retained under

ARTICLE XXIII

SICK LEAVE (continued)

Township authorization discloses the Employee's illness is wilfully self-imposed.

- c. If the opinion of an examining physician retained under Township authorization discloses the illness is not of sufficient severity to justify the Employee's absence from duty.
- d. If the Employee is unable to perform his duties because of illness, accident or other health causes resulting from employment other than with the Township but excluding the off-duty assignments and work details that are statutorily mandated that a police officer in uniform is required subject to the review and approval of the Chief of Police or his designated representative.
- e. Malingering.

Section 11. Compliance

Failure of an Employee to comply with any or all the provisions of this Article or other administrative procedures can result in loss of pay for days claimed and reported as Sick Leave for bonafide illness.

ARTICLE XXIV
TERMINAL LEAVE

Section 1. Regular Terminal Leave

Each regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status and actively at work performing assigned duties having accrued twenty-five years or more years of creditable service with the Township's Department of Police and is eligible in all respects for pension benefits in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Division of Pensions, N.J., Department of Treasury shall be entitled to Terminal Leave at the rate of two (2) days for each year of creditable service at the then current rate of pay.

Section 2. Additional Terminal Leave

Each regular, full-time, permanent Employee fulfilling the eligibility requirements hereinabove set forth in Section 1 of this Article and credited with unused accumulated Sick Leave as defined in the Sick Leave Article of this Agreement shall be entitled to apply one such unused accumulated Sick Leave day for each five (5) days of unused accumulated Sick Leave days to his Terminal Leave. However, no Employee covered under this Agreement shall be entitled to apply more than eighteen (18) days of unused accumulated Sick Leave days to his Terminal Leave.

Section 3. Bonus Terminal Leave

Each regular full-time, permanent Employee fulfilling the eligibility requirements hereinabove set forth in Section 1 of this Article shall be entitled to a bonus Terminal Leave day under the following conditions if:

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Terminal Leave (continued)

1. Said Employee retires and/or resigns on or before December 31, 1979 and the last day of pay, ie. the last day on the Township payroll, must occur on or before December 31, 1979.
2. Said Employee retires and/or resigns on or before December 31, 1979 and the total dollar value of his Administrative Leave, unused Sick Leave under terms and conditions hereinabove set forth in Section 2 of this Article, Terminal Leave, and Vacation Leave paid in cash combined with the total salary and wages earned for days worked does not exceed the total base (base consisting of annual salary, merit incentive pay and detective increment where Employee is a Detective Patrolman) for the calendar year 1979. Holiday Leave Pay will be computed in accordance with the terms and conditions of Article XXI. Terminal Leave shall revert to the rate of two (2) days for each year of creditable service as hereinbefore set forth in Section I of this Article, effective January 1, 1980 and the rate of Terminal Leave will again be negotiable in the 1981 contract.

Section 4. Disability Terminal Leave

Each regular, full-time, permanent Employee in Full-pay status whose employment terminates after fifteen (15) years but less than twenty-five (25) years of creditable years of regular, full-time, permanent employment with the Township's Department of Police and is eligible in all respects to disability pension benefits as defined by the Division of Pensions of the New Jersey Department of Treasury shall be entitled to two (2) days of Terminal Leave at the then daily rate of pay for each year of creditable service with the Department of Police.

ARTICLE XXIV

Terminal Leave (continued)

Section 5. Deferred Pension Terminal Leave

Each regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status whose employment terminates after fifteen (15) years but less than twenty-five (25) years of creditable years of regular, full-time, permanent employment with the Township's Department of Police and is eligible in all respects to a deferred pension benefit as defined by the New Jersey Department of Treasury shall be entitled to two days of Terminal Leave at the then daily rate of pay for each year of creditable service with the Township's Department of Police.

ARTICLE XXV
VACATION LEAVE

Section 1. Each regular, permanent, full-time Employee in full-pay status actively performing assigned duties shall earn and accrue Vacation Leave for each full calendar month and year of continuous, creditable, worked service as follows:

a. For the calendar year 1979 for Employees hired on or before December 31, 1978.

<u>Completed Creditable Years of Total Service*</u>	<u>Working Day(s) Earnable and Accrueable per worked month</u>	<u>Maximum Working Days Earnable and Accrueable per year</u>
Less than 1 year	Eight (8) Hours or one (1) working day for each full calendar month of service not to exceed ten (10) work days	Eighty (80) hours or ten (10) work days
1 to 8 (continuous)	Ten (10) hours or 1.25 work days	One hundred twenty (120) hours or fifteen (15) work days
9 to 18 (continuous)	Fourteen (14) hours or 1.75 work days	One hundred sixty (160) hours or twenty (20) work days
19 to 27 (continuous)	Eighteen (18) hours or 2.25 work days	Two hundred (200) hours or twenty-five (25) work days
28 or more (continuous)	Twenty (20) hours or 2.50 work days	Two hundred forty (240) hours or thirty (30) work days.

* Creditable years of service shall be as defined by the Division of Pensions, N.J. Department of Treasury and the Employee becomes eligible for the increased Vacation Leave benefit in the calendar year in which the anniversary of completing the indicated creditable, worked years of service occurs.

ARTICLE XXV

VACATION LEAVE (continued)

- b. For the calendar year 1980 for Employee(s) hired on or before December 31, 1978.

<u>Completed Creditable Years of Total Service</u>	<u>Working Day (s) Earnable and Accrueable Per Worked Month</u>	<u>Maximum Working Days Earnable and Accrueable per year</u>
Less than 1 Year	Eight (8) Hours or a working day for each full calendar month of service not to exceed ten (10) work days	Eighty (80) hours or ten (10) work days.
1 to 8 (continuous)	Ten (10) hours or 1.25 work days	One hundred twenty (120) hours or fifteen (15) work days
9 to 16 (continuous)	Fourteen (14) hours or 1.75 work days	One hundred sixty (160) hours or twenty (20) work days
17 to 24 (continuous)	Eighteen (18) hours or 2.25 work days	Two hundred (200) hours or twenty-five (25) work days.
24 or more (continuous)	Twenty (20) hours or 2.50 work days	Two hundred forty (240) or thirty (30) work days.

- * Creditable years of service shall be as defined by the Division of Pensions, N.J. Department of Treasury and the Employee becomes eligible for the increased Vacation Leave benefit in the calendar year in which the anniversary of completing the indicated creditable, worked years of service occurs.

Section 2.

- a. Each regular, permanent, full-time Employee in full-pay status actively performing assigned duties hired on or after January 1, 1979 with less than one (1) year of service shall earn and accrue Vacation as hereinabove set forth in Section 1 of this Article but can be taken only after the first anniversary of date of employment.
- b. Each regular, permanent, full-time Employee in full-pay status actively performing assigned duties hired on or after January 1, 1979 with more than one (1) year of service shall earn and accrue Vacation as hereinabove set forth in Section 1 of this Article but can be taken only after the second anniversary of date of employment. Subsequent to the second anniversary of date of employment Section 1 above of this Article applies.

ARTICLE XXV

VACATION LEAVE (continued)

Section 3. An Employee in order to be eligible for Vacation Leave with pay must be a regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full pay status actively performing assigned duties, completed years of service must be continuous and creditable, and the number of years of continuous service shall be determined as of the date of employment of each year. Vacation Leave with pay cannot be taken for the first time until after the first date of employment following date of hire.

Section 4. Notification

All Vacation Leave shall be reported to the Chief of Police on a form prescribed by the Township who shall in turn report, in writing, such absences to the Township Administrator and Director of Finance.

ARTICLE XXVI

ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE

Section 1.

The Township shall provide to each regular full-time permanent Employee a Group Term Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance Policy with double-indemnity in the face amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00).

Section 2.

The Employee must remain a participant for the current full insurance contract year ending December 31, 1979, inclusive, or until date of termination, whichever is first.

Section 3.

- a. The Township shall contribute for each regular, full-time permanent Employee the full monthly premium rate for the first ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) of the face amount of coverage.

Section 4.

- a. The Township shall provide to an Employee terminating on a service-connected disability pension or on a full retirement pension a Group Term Life Insurance policy in the face amount of three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00).
- b. Any Employee terminating on a service-connected disability pension or a full retirement pension on or after October 1, 1978 may at his option and at his expense be permitted to pick up the difference between the three thousand (\$3,000.00) and the ten thousand dollar (\$10,000.00) face amount coverage.
- c. The Township shall contribute the full monthly premium for each Employee on a service-connected disability pension or on a full retirement pension.

ARTICLE XXVI

ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE (continued)

Section 5.

The Township reserves the right to change insurance carrier and/or insurance plans so long as substantially similar or greater benefits are provided.

ARTICLE XXVII
DENTAL INSURANCE

Section 1.

The Township shall provide to each regular, full-time, permanent Employee and the dependents of the immediate family a New Jersey Dental Service Plan (N.J. D.S.P.): Program II-A 50/50 Co-pay Basic, Prosthodontic and Orthodontic Benefits Plan with a maximum of \$1,000.00 per eligible patient per calendar year for Basic and Prosthodontic Benefits and a lifetime maximum of \$500.00 per patient for Orthodontic Benefits.

Section 2.

Each Employee classified by N.J. D.S.P. as one (1) party shall have deducted from his pay \$2.67 per month; each Employee classified by N.J. D.S.P. as two (2) party shall have deducted from his pay \$3.00 per month and each Employee classified as three (3) party by N.J. D.S.P. shall have deducted from his pay \$4.24 each month until the ratification and signing of the 1979 Agreement after which, beginning with the first calendar month following said ratification and signing, the Township will assume this cost.

Section 3.

The Employee must remain a participant for the current full insurance contract year of January 1, 1979 to December 31, 1979, inclusive, or until date of termination, whichever is first.

Section 4.

The Township reserves the right to change insurance carriers and/or insurance plans, so long as substantially similar or greater benefits are provided.

ARTICLE XXVIII
HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE

Section 1.

The Township shall provide to each regular, full-time, permanent Employee and the dependents of the immediate family a Blue Cross "UCR" Hospitalization Service Plan with Rider "J", a Blue Shield "UCR" Medical Surgical Plan with Rider "J", and a Blue Cross/Blue Shield Major Medical Plan.

Section 2.

The Township shall provide an optional agreement to Employees at their own expense to obtain Major Medical Benefits for their dependents at the prevailing rates until the ratification and signing of the 1979 Agreement after which, beginning with the first calendar month following said ratification and signing, the Township will assume this cost.

Section 3.

The Township reserves the right to change insurance carriers and/or insurance plans, so long as substantially similar or greater benefits are provided.

ARTICLE XXIX
PRESCRIPTION INSURANCE

Section 1.

The Township shall provide to each regular, full-time permanent Employee and the dependents of the immediate family a Blue Cross Prescription \$1.25 Co-pay/No Contraceptives Benefit Program.

Section 2.

The Township shall provide an optional agreement to Employees, at their own expense, to obtain Prescription Drug Benefits for their dependents at the prevailing rates until the ratification and signing of the 1979 Agreement after which, beginning with the first calendar month following said ratification and signing, the Township will assume this cost.

Section 3.

The Employee must remain a participant in the program for the full insurance contract year of January 1, 1979 - December 31, 1979, or until date of termination, whichever is first.

Section 4.

The Township reserves the right to change insurance carriers and/or insurance plans so long as substantially similar or greater benefits are provided.

ARTICLE XXX
RETIREE MEDICAL BENEFITS

Section 1. Each regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties who is eligible in all respects for pension benefits in accordance with rules and regulations of the Division of Pensions, N.J., Department of the Treasury and retires after twenty-five (25) or more years of creditable service with the Township Department of Police shall be entitled to the following medical benefits while in retired status:

a. Hospitalization Insurance

for Employees Retiring on or after January 1, 1976

1. The Township shall provide a Blue Cross "UCR" Hospitalization Service Plan with Rider "J", a Blue Shield "UCR" Medical Surgical Plan with Rider "J"; and a Blue Cross/Blue Shield Major Medical Plan to each Employee who retires after January 1, 1976 in a manner hereinabove set forth in Section 1 of this Article and the spouse of the Employee at time of retirement until the Employee's death or until the death of the spouse whichever event shall occur later.
2. The Township shall contribute for each Employee classified by Blue Cross of New Jersey (B.C., N.J.) as "Single" the monthly premium rate as of Feb. 1, 1979; for each Employee classified by B.C., N.J. as "Parent and Child" the monthly premium rate as of February 1, 1979 for a "Single" classification; for each Employee classified by B.C., N.J. as "Husband and Wife" the monthly premium rate as of February 1, 1979, and for each Employee classified by B.C., N.J. as "Family" the monthly premium rate as of February

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RETIREE MEDICAL BENEFITS

1, 1979 for a "Husband and Wife" classification.

b. Dental Insurance

for Employees Retiring between January 1, 1976 and December 31, 1977

1. The Township shall provide a New Jersey Dental Service Plan (N.J. D.S.P.) Program II-A 50/50 Co-pay Basic, Prosthodontic and Orthodontic Benefits Plan with a maximum of \$1,000.00 per eligible patient per calendar year for Basic and Prosthodontic Benefits and life-time maximum of \$500.00 per patient for Orthodontic Benefits to each Employee who retires in a manner hereinabove setforth in Section 1 of this Article after January 1, 1976 and on or before December 31, 1977. The Township shall contribute the monthly premium rate as of January 1, 1979 for "Single" classification, regardless of whether the Employee is classified by N.J. D.S.P. as "one-party", "two-party", "three-party" or other. An optional Agreement is available for the retired Employee to cover his dependents at the prevailing rate.

2. For Employees Retiring on or after January 1, 1978

The Township shall provide a New Jersey Dental Service Plan (N.J. D.S.P.) Program II-A 50/50 Co-Pay Basic, Prosthodontic and Orthodontic Benefits Plan with a maximum of \$1,000.00 per eligible patient per calendar year for Basic and Prosthodontic Benefits and life-time maximum of \$500.00 per patient for Orthodontic Benefits to each Employee who retires in a manner hereinabove setforth in Section 1 of this Article after December 31, 1977 and the Employee's spouse at time of retirement until the Employee's death or the remarriage or death of the

ARTICLE XXX

RETIREE MEDICAL BENEFITS

spouse whichever event shall occur later. The Township shall contribute for each Employee classified by N.J.D D.S.P. as "one-party" the monthly premium rate as of January 1979; for each Employee classified by N.J. D.S.P. as "two-party" the monthly premium rate as of January 1, 1979. An optional agreement is available for retired Employee to cover other immediate dependents at the prevailing rate.

- c. Each regular, full-time, permanent Employee in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties who is eligible in all respects for a service-connected disability pension benefit in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Division of Pensions, N.J. Department of Treasury and said Employee retires on a service-connected disability shall be entitled to the benefits set forth hereinabove under the same terms and conditions as set forth in this Article.
- d. In any event, each Retiree in the month succeeding the month retiree celebrates his sixty-fifth (65th) birthday will cease to be eligible to participate in the Township's contracted Blue Cross/Blue Shield Hospitalization Service, Medical-Surgical or Major Medical Plans when the retiree is eligible to participate in the Medicare Program and will also cease to be eligible to participate in the N.J. D.S.P. Plan.
- e. In the event the Retiree precedes the spouse in death and spouse has not remarried, the spouse in the month succeeding the month spouse celebrates her sixty-fifth (65th) birthday when the spouse is eligible to participate in the medicare Program the spouse will cease to be eligible to participate in the aforesaid Blue Cross/Blue Shield and N.J. D.S.P. Medical Benefit Plans.

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RETIREE MEDICAL BENEFITS (continued)

- f. In the event the Retiree or the spouse is eligible to participate in Hospitalization Service Plan, Medical-Surgical Plan, Major Medical Plan and/or a Dental Plan through a place of employment, the Township shall have the option to terminate eligibility to participate in the aforesaid Township contracted plans.
- g. In the event the Retiree or spouse fails to remit his or her monthly premium cash match to the Township's contribution, the Township shall have the option to terminate eligibility to participate in the aforesaid Township contracted plans.

Section 2. The Township reserves the right to change insurance carriers and/or insurance plans so long as substantially similar or greater benefits are provided.

ARTICLE XXXI
DEATH BENEFITS

Section 1.

Any regular, full-time, permanent Employee who dies while in the employ of the Township, then and in that event, their beneficiaries will receive payment for the following benefits earned and accrued by the deceased Employee; accrued Sick Leave, accrued Vacation Leave, accrued Holiday Leave, accrued Overtime hours for which compensation has not been received, accrued Administrative (personal) Leave and such other benefits as may have accrued under the terms of this Agreement.

Section 2.

In the event of the death of a regular full-time, permanent Employee covered under this Agreement who dies in the line of duty, the surviving spouse shall receive at Township expense the then current Dental, Hospitalization and Prescription Plan benefits until the surviving spouse's remarriage, surviving spouse's death or youngest surviving child reaches the eighteenth (18th) birthday, whichever shall first occur, but in any event benefits will terminate the month succeeding spouse's sixty-fifth (65th) birthday.

ARTICLE XXXII
MUTUAL AID DISABILITY BENEFITS

Section 1.

The Township will provide regular, full-time, permanent Employees in full-pay status actively at work performing assigned duties all appropriate benefits when rendering assistance to a neighboring municipality under proper authority in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.1 and N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.3 as amended.

Section 2.

The Township reserves the right to change insurance carriers and/or insurance plans, as long as substantially similar or greater benefits are provided.

ARTICLE XXXIII

LEGAL AID

Section 1.

The Township will provide legal aid to all Employees covered under this Agreement in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-155, as amended.

ARTICLE XXXIV
EXISTING BENEFITS

Section 1.

Benefits provided to Employees covered under this Agreement in terms of salaries or other fringe benefits which are embodied in municipal ordinances and resolutions shall be continued for the life of this Agreement.

ARTICLE XXXV

SAVINGS

Section 1.

If any provision of this Agreement or any application of this Agreement to any Employee or group of Employees is held invalid by operation of law or by a Court or other tribunal of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be inoperative but all other provisions shall not be affected thereby and shall continue in full force and effect.

ARTICLE XXXVI
FULLY BARGAINED PROVISIONS

Section 1.

It is understood that the within Agreement represents and incorporates the complete and final understanding and settlement by the parties of all bargainable issues which were or could have been the subject of negotiations. During the term of this Agreement, neither party will be required to negotiate with respect to any such matter whether or not covered by this Agreement, and whether or not within the knowledge or contemplation of either or both of the parties at the same time they negotiated or signed this Agreement.

Section 2.

This Agreement shall not be modified in whole or in part by the Parties except by an instrument in writing only executed by both parties.

Section 3.

It is further understood that this Agreement has been negotiated in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Employer-Employee Relations Act, as amended.

ARTICLE XXXVII

DURATION

This Agreement shall be in full force and effect as of January 1, 1979 and shall terminate on December 31, 1980 without any reopening date. This Agreement shall continue in full force and effect from year to year thereafter, unless one party or the other gives notice, in writing, no sooner than one hundred fifty (150) nor later than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the expiration of this Agreement of a desire to change, modify or terminate this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals at the Township of Cranford, New Jersey, on this day of

PATROLMEN'S BENEVOLENT
ASSOCIATION LOCAL #52

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

BY:

John E. Savage
Ronald Glerum

BY:

Raymond S. Molnar

ATTEST:

E. Murphy

ATTEST:

Wade M. Kels

SCHEDULE "A"

SALARIES

The following per annum salaries shall be effective retroactive to January 1, 1979:

<u>Section 1. Patrolmen</u>				IF	
<u>Base Salary</u>	<u>Merit Points</u>	<u>Incentive Amount</u>	<u>Total Base</u>	<u>12 Unused Holidays</u>	<u>Total</u>
4th Grade 17,097.60	0	-0-	17,097.60	789.12	17,886.72
17,097.60	30	499.20	17,596.80	812.16	18,408.96
17,097.60	45	748.80	17,846.40	823.68	18,670.08
17,097.60	70	1,164.80	18,262.40	842.88	19,105.28
17,097.60	90	1,497.60	18,595.20	858.24	19,453.44
17,097.60	110	1,830.40	18,928.00	873.60	19,801.60
17,097.60	120	1,996.80	19,094.40	881.28	19,975.68
17,097.60	140*	2,329.60	19,427.20	896.64	20,323.84
17,097.60	160*	2,662.40	19,760.00	912.00	20,672.00
3rd Grade 16,016.00	-	-	16,016.00	739.20	16,755.20
2nd Grade 14,976.00	-	-	14,976.00	691.20	15,667.20
1st Grade 13,936.00	-	-	13,936.00	643.20	14,579.20
Probationary 12,896.00	-	-	12,896.00	595.20	13,491.20
<u>Section 2. Patrolmen</u>				IF	
<u>Base Salary</u>	<u>Merit Points</u>	<u>Incentive Amount</u>	<u>Total Base</u>	<u>12 Unused Holidays</u>	<u>Total</u>
4th Grade 18,096.00	0	-	18,096.00	835.20	18,931.20
18,096.00	30	499.20	18,595.20	858.24	19,453.44
18,096.00	45	748.80	18,844.80	869.76	19,714.56
18,096.00	70	1,164.80	19,260.80	888.96	20,149.76
18,096.00	90	1,497.60	19,593.60	904.32	20,497.92
18,096.00	110	1,830.40	19,926.40	919.68	20,846.08
18,096.00	120	1,996.80	20,092.80	927.36	21,020.16
18,096.00	140*	2,329.60	20,425.60	942.72	21,368.32
18,096.00	160*	2,662.40	20,758.40	958.08	21,716.48
3rd Grade 17,056.00	-	-	17,056.00	787.20	17,843.20
2nd Grade 16,016.00	-	-	16,016.00	739.20	16,755.20
1st Grade 14,976.00	-	-	14,976.00	691.20	15,667.20
Probationary 13,936.00	-	-	13,936.00	643.00	14,579.20

Schedule B

Detective Patrolman

Section 1. - Assignment

The Chief of Police has the sole and exclusive responsibility for the assignment, continuation of assignment, and re-assignment of a Patrolman to the duty of Detective and shall be responsible for determining and setting the selection criteria for assignment to the duty of Detective. Assignment to, continuation in, and re-assignment of a Patrolman to the duty of Detective shall be made by and at the discretion of the Chief of Police or his designated representative (s), subject to policies established by the Township Committee.

Section 2. - Incremental Increase Eligibility

(a) A Patrolman assigned to the duty of Detective shall serve a minimum of at least six (6) months of continuous service as a plain clothesman before being eligible for the first incremental increase; a minimum of eighteen (18) months of continuous service as a Detective before being eligible for the second incremental increase; and a minimum of thirty (30) months of continuous service as a Detective before being eligible for the third incremental increase.

(b) A Patrolman in order to be eligible for the incremental increase of a Detective must be assigned and actively and regularly working as a Detective.

(c) If a Patrolman's assignment to the duty of Detective is discontinued and is later reassigned to the duty of Detective, the minimum time requirements set forth in sub-section (a) of this Section shall apply as though the Patrolman was being assigned the duty of Detective for the first time.

(d) 1. The Chief of Police shall be responsible for insuring that performance evaluations of the Patrolman as a Detective are conducted and the Chief of Police shall recommend to the Township Administrator, in writing, that the Patrolman is to be paid the next higher incremental increase.

(d) 2. Employee's performance as a Detective shall be reviewed and evaluated in accordance with current procedures every six (6) months. Employee will continue at his then current incremental level automatically unless Chief of Police recommends to the Township Administrator, in writing, to change Employee's status to the next incremental level.

Section 3. - Increment Increase Computation

The annual salary of a Patrolman assigned the duty of Detective Inspector shall be the salary as shown in Schedule "A" as hereinafter attached to the Agreement plus an additional total increment as also shown in Schedule "B", said annual incremental increase to be included in bi-weekly pay and in base pay for

Schedule B

Detective Patrolman (continued)

ns pension benefits, holiday pay and vacation pay as well
t incentive.

Grade

Total Additional
Annual Increment

ot hesman
v - 3rd Grade
v - 2nd Grade
v - 1st Grade

-0-
\$249.60
499.20
748.80